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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk / Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Duke Energy Progress, LLC -Equal Payment Plan WeatherProtect Pilot
Docket No. 2017-328-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company") files this letter to notify the Commission that it intends to terminate the Equal Payment Plan WeatherProtect ("EPPWP") Pilot, which was approved by the Commission on December 5, 2017 by Order No. 2017-707. Like the Company's standard Equal Payment Plan offering, the EPPWP Pilot offers customers equalized payments over a 12-month period and requires a true-up to the customer's actual energy usage at year end. Unlike the standard Equal Payment Plan offering, under EPPWP, the customer's true-up amount is capped at a predetermined energy usage level based on the customer's weather-normalized energy usage. In exchange, customers pay a predetermined monthly administrative fee.

Currently, 65 customers' 12-month contracts will terminate in December 2020, and one customer's 12-month contract will expire in January 2021. Consistent with the three-year tenure of the Pilot, the Company has discontinued the availability of renewal and will terminate the EPPWP Pilot following the termination of these contracts. DEP will provide notice to customers of the termination of the Pilot and give them the option of reverting to standard billing or to the Company's standard Equal Payment Plan offering at the conclusion of their EPPWP contracts. The



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Company also proposes to file an informational report in the fourth quarter of 2020 to inform interested parties and the Commission as to the lessons learned from the Pilot.

Kind regards,

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